

RE: RM 8626

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I DO NOT AGREE WITH THE ELIMINATION
OF ALL ONE WAY TRANSMISSIONS AS
PROPOSED BY W5YT. I WOULD AGREE
TO ELIMINATE ALL ONE WAY TRANSMISSIONS
EXCEPT "THE VOICE OF AMATEUR RADIO"
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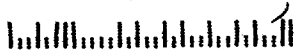
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RE: RM-8626

To: The Commission

I am **opposed** to the petition by Fred Maia, W5YI, that would prohibit one-way information bulletins and code practice transmissions in the amateur bands below 30 MHz.

For decades, the Hiram Percy Maxim Memorial Station, W1AW, has been supplying free services to the Amateur Radio community. I have used these services myself, and want to be able to continue to do so. The FCC itself relies on these services to disseminate information about communications emergencies. Thousands of amateurs regularly sharpen their skills by copying ARRL bulletins and code practice sent by W1AW.

The public interest would not be served by further consideration of this petition. I request that the petition be denied.

Sincerely,

William J. Pace KB8ZM
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Secretary
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Re: RM-8626

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Dear Sir / Madam,

I am writing this letter in response to an article that was printed in the Nashua Area Radio Club Bulletin, dated May, 1995. In that bulletin, a short article was published in regard to a petition filed by Mr. Fred O. Maia, W5YI.

I would like to say that I think the petition is wrong in its assumption that all perspective amateurs have access to computers for Morse code training or for obtaining bulletins pertaining to amateur interests such as propagation reports.

It is my belief that Mr. Maia would want the cessation of code practice and bulletins from W1AW, and that it would result in increased commercial sales of his training products. His organization is involved in license exams for commercial licenses, and I think that is OK, it's a commercial venture; but I do object to his trying to gain a larger commercial share of materials for a non-commercial radio service, amateur radio. I have used his organization's tapes for some code practice, and I thought it was a bit odd that his narrator, Mr. Gordon West, said, paraphrased that when you finish with these tapes, you would be able to pass any code exam required by the W5YI Group. I thought it odd in that it is the FCC's requirement, not any other organizations. In addition, a fellow ham received a post card from the W5YI Group offering "renewal services" for a fee of \$5. Every ham had to fill out a form 610, and if a ham can't fill out another form, what does that say about his or her capabilities? First class postage is certainly cheaper than \$5.

I would like to see the current rule remain in effect, as I have heard a number of amateur operators send code practice to aspiring new amateurs. Mr. Maia's remark that one-way transmissions are "a very permissive category and taken in its broadest context, permits just about anything to be transmitted that is even remotely associated with the Amateur Service" is unfair to amateurs everywhere. If he wants to set up an amateur station and send code practice to amateurs, under the present rules, he should be allowed to, but he should not have W1AW shut down its current operations.

In closing, I would favor the status quo of the rule allowing certain types of one-way broadcasts as listed in Part 97 of the rules and regulations.

Sincerely,



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Before the
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20554

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In the Matter of §
Amendment of Sections § RM-8626
97.111 (b) (5) and (6) and §
97.113 (d) §

I am an individual amateur radio operator, licensed since MAY 11, 1993, currently holding a TECHNICIAN class operators licence issued by the Federal Communications Commission.

A petition for rule making was recently submitted by Frederick O. Maia, W5YI, asking the Commission to amend its rules authorizing certain one-way transmissions in the amateur bands below 30 MHz which allow Morse code practice and information bulletins.

I feel this petition is not in the best interests of the Amateur Service, is a possible threat to the national interest and will serve to further the business interests of the petitioner at the expense of a not-for-profit organization dedicated to the advancement of the radio art.

Positive action by the Commission on Mr. Maia's petition will silence amateur radio station W1AW, operated by the American Radio Relay League, which provides invaluable information to amateur radio operators and other listeners throughout the world.

As an active amateur I listen, or have listened, to Morse code practice from W1AW and found it to be one of the most effective ways to advance my understanding and usage of Morse code in actual transmission over the air— something a computer software program cannot duplicate.

Further, information regarding the proper technical operation of my station is frequently received from W1AW transmissions and I do not require either a computer or a subscription to a commercial information service— such as the one the Petitioner publishes— to obtain it. The amateur frequencies below 30 MHz allow for the dissemination of such information quickly, over great distances.

In times of national emergency, stations such as W1AW provide a valuable service to amateurs by transmitting notices from disaster sites and official information from the United States Government regarding radio transmissions. This is done at no expense whatsoever to the taxpayers of the United States.

I respectfully ask the commission to deny Mr. Maia's petition.

DOUGLAS W. DEITERMAN

Submitted by:

Amateur Radio Callsign: KC5AJY

Date: 5/2/95

Douglas W. Deiterman
(Signature)

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Send the original and five copies to: Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, Washington, DC 20554. Your reply must be received by the commission no later than May 4, 1995.

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May 8, 1995

Secretary, FCC
Washington, DC 20554

Re: RM-8626

Dear commissioners:

I read that you will consider an elimination of one-way transmissions on all frequencies below 30 Mhz. I do not think that would serve the public interest. Many hams do not have access to computer bulletin boards for their information. (Many hams don't even want a computer in their ham shack.) Further, learning code from a computer is very sterile. I have taught many classes over the years and have never seen anyone who benefitted greatly from computer generated code practice.

I am a member of the ARRL and have listened to WIAW on and off since the late 1950's. It is an excellent service and has helped many to learn code. Technically speaking the transmissions use very little bandwidth and are on only a fraction of the 24 hour day. I've never seen a situation where I couldn't find a clear frequency within 10 or 15 khz of the WIAW frequency.

In short, I would hope you would allow the continued practice of one-way code practice and bulletins.

Thank you.

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The Secretary
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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20544-0001

SUBJECT: RM-8626 COMMENTS

Dear FCC:

I am ~~OPPOSED~~ to petition RM-8626, to eliminate all one-way transmissions such as code practice and informational bulletins on the Amateur bands below 30 MHz, especially those from W1AW.

I am located here as a part of the insular islands, outside the continental United States. My code practice and Amateur Radio bulletins reach my via Amateur bands below 30 MHz.

If this RM-8626 is allowed to move forward, those code practices and bulletins will not reach the insular areas of Alaska, the Caribbean and Pacific Islands and other remote locations throughout the Pacific/Oceania areas.

If code and Amateur Service Bulletins are to be transmitted on frequencies above 30 MHz, they will not propagate and not reach us in these insular areas.

Furthermore, RM-8626 goes beyond other proposals and petitions placed before the Commission for changes in the FCC rules governing information bulletins that the FCC has previously dismissed.

I request that the FCC dismiss and denigh this petition, RM-8626, also, based on case law.

Again, based on the foundation of case law, request that RM-8626 be denighed

ALOHA & MAHALO for your time

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Secretary
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Dear Commissioner:

This letter is in response to RM-8626, a petition filed by Frederick O. Maia, W5YI.

I strongly oppose this petition due to the implications in the time of disasters/emergencies. Bulletins and other one-way transmissions are essential during disasters/emergencies because of the information they disburse concerning nets, frequencies, schedules, and other pertinent information. One-way bulletin transmissions are reliable and occur at know times and frequencies. A focal point for the dissemination of information is important at all times. Whom will be in charge of transmitting information from a central location when this will be illegal at all times, including times of emergency? Would we have to pay for this vital information and would the emergency be over before it is available? Stations such as WIAW can get information out accurately and quickly, which is necessary in emergencies. This is important for command and control purposes. When emergencies occur, commercial communications such as the telephone service are often disrupted, leaving amateur radio operators as the only individuals able to provide reliable communications over short and long distances.

I strongly urge that RM-8626 be denied.

Sincerely,

Edward A. Noftz

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